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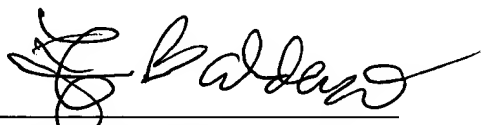


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Dear Sir:

The applicants submit this response to the Office Action mailed April 3, 2002. Please consider the application in view of the amendments and remarks that follow. Attached is a version of the claims showing the changes made.

**In the Specification:**

Ne In the Abstract, first sentence, please delete the phrase "is disclosed".

**In the Claims:**

AI Sh Bi > 1. A traction pin for joining a railcar cab with a railcar truck assembly comprising:  
a one-piece cast traction pin body having a solid unitary structure and defining a  
cylindrical end, a frustum shaped region and an integral mounting plate, the cylindrical end  
including a tapered region, the frustum shaped region is formed integral with the mounting plate.

Please cancel claim 2 without prejudice.